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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application
as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please add the following new sentence as the first paragraph following the title of
the invention:

-- Applicant claims the right of priority based on U.S. Provisional Patent

Application No. 60/293,173 filed May 25, 2001 in the name of Guy L. Steele, Jr.--

REMARKS

By this preliminary amendment to the specification, Applicant claims the right of
priority based on U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/293,173 filed May 25, 2001

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in the name of Guy L. Steele, Jr. This priority claim is made within four months of the December 28, 2001 filing date of the above-captioned application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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